

Professional Teaching Permits Pathway for Science, Mathematics, and Computer Science

The following pathway allows professionals who hold a bachelor's degree in mathematics, computer science, or sciences to receive a Professional Teaching Permit in the corresponding subject area. This pathway is intended to address Wisconsin licensure areas identified as critical shortage areas.

Requirements for Wisconsin School Districts

- Identify the need to hire an individual to fill a critical shortage area in this pathway.
- Provide supervision during the initial two-year permit period by a teacher who holds a Wisconsin teaching license.
- Ensure that no regularly licensed teacher is removed from his or her position as a result of the employment of a professional teaching permit holder.

Requirements for Professionals

- Hold a bachelor's degree in mathematics, computer science, or science from a regionally accredited college or university.
- Have at minimum five years of experience as a professional in the subject area in which the mathematics, computer science, or science bachelor's degree was awarded.
- Complete at minimum 100-hours of formal instruction in the application of modern curricula in the subject area. Training must be completed at a state-approved alternative teacher training program.
- Demonstrate competency in the subject area by posting a passing score on the state prescribed standardized content test(s) specific to the subject area license.

TO APPLY for a two-year permit in this Pathway, a **Professional Teaching Permit applicant** must:

- 1. SUBMIT** an original transcript as verification of a bachelor's degree in mathematics, science, or computer science from a regionally accredited college or university. To determine if the institution where you completed your degree is regionally accredited, go to: <http://ope.ed.gov/accreditation>. Wisconsin recognizes the following regional accreditation associations for a bachelor's degree:
 - Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools of Higher Education
 - New England Association of Schools and Colleges
 - North Central Association of Colleges and Schools
 - Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities
 - Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
 - Western Association of Schools and Colleges
- 2. SUBMIT** documentation of five years of professional experience from employer(s) by submitting an Employment Verification Form PI 1613 for each employer. Form PI 1613 is available at: <http://tepd.dpi.wi.gov/licensing/supplementary-forms>
- 3. SUBMIT** documentation of successfully completing 100 hours of training from a state-approved alternative training program.
- 4. CHOOSE** the content test you will take. **REGISTER** directly with the test vendor to take the test:
 - ETS Praxis II - www.ets.org/praxis
 - Pearson NES - www.wi.nesinc.com
- 5. TAKE** the test(s). **OBTAIN** an original score report from the test vendor. **VERIFY** minimum passing score.
*Do not request score reports to be sent directly to the DPI. **SUBMIT** original score report(s) with application.*
- 6. APPLY** for the 2-year Professional Teaching Permit using the Educator Licensing Online (ELO) application system at:
<http://tepd.dpi.wi.gov/licensing/elo/>

After the 2-year permit period expires, the professional teacher permit may be renewed for 5-year periods.

7. RENEW the Professional Teaching Permit using the Educator Licensing Online (ELO) application system.

Additional information on the Professional Teacher Permits Pathway is available at:

<http://tepd.dpi.wi.gov/licensing/pathways-to-licensure>

Bachelor's Degree I currently hold	Professional Teacher Permit I want to apply for	ETS Praxis II ¹ test name - code	Passing Score	Pearson NES ² test name - code	Passing Score
I hold a Bachelor's degree in this area:	I want to apply for a professional teaching permit in this Wisconsin licensure area:	These are the only tests I may choose to take and the passing scores I must achieve.			
		ONLY ONE TEST FOR EACH SUBJECT AREA IS REQUIRED.			
• Mathematics	Mathematics (400)	Mathematics: Content Knowledge - 0061	155	Mathematics - 304	220
• Biology	Biology (605)	Biology: Content Knowledge - 0235	152	Biology - 305	220
• Chemistry	Chemistry (610)	Chemistry: Content Knowledge - 0245	152	Chemistry - 306	220
• Earth and Space Science • Geology • Astronomy	Earth and Space Science (635)	Earth and Space Sciences: Content Knowledge - 0571	152	Earth & Space Science - 307	220
• Environmental Studies • Natural Resources	Environmental Studies (615)	Biology: Content Knowledge - 0235	152	Biology - 305	220
• Biology • Environmental Studies	Life and Environmental Science (606)	Biology: Content Knowledge - 0235	152	Biology - 305	220
• Physics	Physics (625)	Physics: Content Knowledge - 0265	141	Physics - 308	220
• Physics • Chemistry	Physical Science (637)	Physical Science: Content Knowledge - 0481	150		
• Computer Science	Computer Science (405)	<i>This license is not available through this pathway at this time.</i>			

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¹ The Educational Testing Service (ETS) administers the Praxis II content tests. Visit www.ets.org/praxis for testing information.

² Pearson administers the NES content tests. Visit www.wi.nesinc.com for testing information.